

Japs Open New Bataan Offensive

Japanese Here Begin Exodus

Nation's Greatest Mass Evacuation Starts as Vanguard of 35,000 Southland Nipponese Move to Owens Valley Concentration Center

America's greatest mass evacuation began yesterday as 86 Japanese aliens and American-born citizens arrived in Manzanar, new evacuees' city in Owens Valley, from Los Angeles.

They are the forerunners of some 35,000 of their race who will be moved out of Southern California, first to the Owens Valley camp and later, after classification as to industrial ability, to inland concentration centers.

Eventually, a total of more than 170,000 Japanese, Germans and Italians will be evacuated from coastal communities.

DEWITT VISITS CAMP

The arrival of the first contingent of Los Angeles Japanese at Manzanar was preceded by an inspection visit by Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, chief of the Western Defense Command, who flew down from his San Francisco headquarters with members of his staff to look over the huge establishment now rising in the remote valley.

He expressed himself as pleased with the progress made at the camp, where hundreds of carpenters and other artisans are building houses, assembly halls, a hospital and other facilities for the 10,000 evacuees who will soon people Manzanar.

GROUP OF ARTISANS

The first contingent of Japanese to leave Los Angeles in compliance with Gen. DeWitt's orders was comprised of plumbers, painters, nurses, cooks, waiters, bakers and stenographers, all of whom left voluntarily to aid in preparing the evacuation center for the thousands of others who will be taken there in the near future.

With the small amount of their worldly possessions they were able to take packed into three bundles, this group climbed into three busses and a truck in the playground of the Maryknoll School, Third and Hewitt Sts., and waved good-bye to more than 200 of their friends and relatives who had gathered to see them off.

MOVE SWIFTLY

Here and there, traditional Oriental stoicism cracked and there were a few tears, but for the most part, the voluntary evacuees evinced little emotion. Headed by Army cars, the little motorcade proceeded swiftly through the city and out on the highway leading toward Manzanar.

Tomorrow morning, approximately 1000 Japanese will leave for the evacuation city on a special train and in busses, while a huge motorcade, again under the convoy of the Army, will depart from the Rose Bowl in

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Plane Plants Work Lauded

Truman Committee Turns Critical Guns on War and O.P.M. Chiefs

Praise for aircraft manufacturers and criticism of the War Department and the Office of Production Management highlighted a report released here yesterday by a subcommittee of the special Senate (Truman) committee investigating the aviation industry.

After inspecting Southland air plants and hearing testimony here since last Monday, Senators Mon C. Wallgren, Harley M. Kilgore and Joseph H. Ball told newsmen "the airplane plants have done a marvelous job considering the conditions under which they have had to work."

SHORTAGES EXIST

They pointed to the mushrooming expansion of the industry and acknowledged that temporary shortages exist as the result of inevitable lag where the manufacturers—serving largely as assembly plants—depend on thousands of items delivered from almost every State in the Union.

In this connection the subcommittee criticized the War Department and the O.P.M. for "failure... to realize soon enough the necessity of expanding the production of suppliers of parts."

TEXT OF STATEMENT

The full statement follows: "The subcommittee has visited most of the airplane plants in the Los Angeles area. It has ascertained the number of airplanes being delivered and has found that deliveries of complete airplanes are increasing each month."

"The airplane manufacturing plants are, and of necessity must be, principally assembly plants. They assemble thousands of items which are manufactured in almost every State in the Union by thousands of plants. Some of the suppliers of such parts

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EASTWARD, HO—Uprooted by grim requirements of war, the first contingent of Japanese is shown waiting to board busses for journey to concentration camp at Manzanar. Vanguard of an army of 35,000 Nipponese in Southland, they went voluntarily.

Times photo

Sales of Sugar Face Week Ban

Government Orders Halt on April 27 in Rationing Setup

CHICAGO, March 21. (AP)—All sugar sales in the United States will be halted at midnight April 27 for approximately one week, government officials announced today after they had set six days in April and May for the nationwide sugar rationing registration.

John E. Hamm, acting chief of the Office of Price Administration, reported that sugar will be off the market on April 28 and will not be available to buyers again until about May 5.

Hamm explained that the ban was ordered as a step preparatory to sales under rationing, which will go into effect as soon as the moratorium on sales ends.

Earlier, dates were fixed for the national registration—biggest in the history of the United States and involving every man, woman and child in the country.

Frank Bane, field chief of the O.P.A., announced that individual or family consumers will register May 4, 5, 6 and 7 at public elementary schools, and that wholesalers, retailers, bakers, confectioners and other industrial users will register April 28 and 29 at high schools.

The periods for recording the data concerning 131,000,000 Americans were scheduled at a conference of rationing administrators from the 48 States.

Bane reported that it had not

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Unions' Grip on Farmers and Consumers Related

Thurman Arnold Accuses Organized Labor of Destroying Independent Businessmen

WASHINGTON, March 21. (AP)—Attacking organized labor in terms seldom, if ever, used by a New Deal official, Thurman Arnold, Assistant Attorney General, accused the unions today of a long list of misdeeds which, he asserted, are preventing the efficient use of men and machines and hampering the distribution of civilian necessities.

He charged organized labor with injuring or destroying independent businessmen, holding farmers and consumers "at its mercy," impeding the distribution of housing and food and of "undemocratic procedures" within itself.

NO RIGHTS RESPECTED

On the witness stand of the House Judiciary Committee, he said a pending bill to require the registration of labor unions was insufficient to protect the public from the practices which he alleged. "No other group in our society" could do anything like the things of which he complained and escape punishment, he said.

"Today, under Federal law, there is no right of the farmer which labor is bound to respect, there is no right of the consumer which labor is bound to respect and there is no right of the small businessman which labor is bound to respect," he asserted.

Arnold added that all three groups are "entirely subject to the will of the labor union... People complain to us and we have to say to them that there

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Submarine Off United States Sunk by American Bomber

NEW YORK, March 21. (AP)—With depth charges and machine-gun fire, an American bomber destroyed an Axis submarine off the Eastern United States coast, Lieut. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, commander of the eastern Army forces, disclosed tonight.

After depth charges had scored two direct hits on the conning tower, the plane pilot reported "the submarine was a clay pigeon. It looked as if we had struck an oil well."

"Destruction of the submarine was complete," Gen. Drum said. "The sea was covered with oil and debris. It is considered improbable that there could have been any survivors."

FOUR CHARGES DROPPED

Four depth charges were dropped by the bomber, which spotted the sub from about two miles away while the plane was bound home from a photographic mission, the general said.

Second Lieutenant E. H. Eperson of Scott City, Kan., the bomber's pilot, declared:

"We could see the conning tower clear of the water. We made four runs over the subma-

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MacArthur Warns About False Hopes

Australians Reminded Modern War Requires More Than Courage

BY HAROLD GUARD
MELBOURNE, March 21. (U.P.)—Australia tonight heard Gen. Douglas MacArthur's grim warning that success against Japan hinges upon "careful preparation... sufficient troops and sufficient material."

After a welcome here that this Down Under continent accords only to heroes, the American commander closed himself with his United States and Australian military associates. He began drafting plans to carry into execution his assigned duty—that of carrying back the war to Japan and striking hard enough to relieve the pressure upon his defenders of Bataan who sent him off with a pledge they would fight to the last man before yielding to Japan.

WARNS AUSTRALIANS

It was expected MacArthur and the American and Australian staffs will meet with Prime Minister John Curtin at Canberra shortly, possibly Sunday.

The general's first act was to warn Australia against overconfidence and airy optimism with a sharp reminder "modern war requires something more than courage and willingness to die."

MacArthur's realistic declaration was backed by Curtin who asserted the task facing Australia and America "is to hold that territory we still command and to fight back until the territory already occupied by the Japanese is recovered and liberated."

GROUNDWORK LAID

MacArthur found the groundwork for American-Australian co-operation already well advanced. Lieut. Gen. George H. Brett, his vice-commander, already is drafting plans to unify the Australian and American air forces on a basis of operating together in the same squadrons.

However, many major matters of strategy, co-ordination, supply and material as well as what were called "certain important political questions arising from MacArthur's appointment and other events of the past few days"—presumably the controversy between Curtin and Prime Minister Churchill—must be ironed out.

A far-reaching shake-up of the Australian army command is expected in which Maj. Gen. Thomas Blamey, who led Australian troops in the Middle East, may assume command of all Australian land forces under MacArthur.

Tonight MacArthur was in seclusion. American sentries stood guard around the hotel. They carried side arms but no rifles.

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Five Die in Army Bomber Crash

Two Others Pulled From Wreckage Burned Badly

MEMPHIS (Tenn.) March 21. (AP)—Five men were killed when a two-motored Army bomber crashed and burned near the Municipal Airport today.

Two others were pulled from the flaming wreckage, badly burned.

The plane took off from the airport and crashed into the underbrush a quarter-mile from the airport.

Maj. A. D. Perley, commander of the Army Air Corps detachment here, identified the dead as: Second Lieutenant J. F. Simpson, pilot.

Second Lieutenant J. P. Treadaway.

Second Lieutenant F. E. Budenholzer.

Technical Sergeant V. A. Costlow.

The injured: Lieut. Edward C. Huggs, 22, of Arkadelphia, Ark. His condition was undetermined.

Sergeant Richard Gemiem. His condition was reported as critical.

Foe Loses Two More Cruisers

Yamashita Launches Long-Expected Attack on Luzon With Sea Blockade and Bombardment; MacArthur Acclaimed by Throngs at Melbourne

Times Pacific War Summary

While MacArthur's airmen blasted a new gap in the Japanese invasion fleet off Australia yesterday, damaging two more enemy cruisers, the long-anticipated full-scale offensive apparently was launched against the defenders of Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines.

Enemy warships were seeking to blockade all of the unoccupied islands of the Philippines and batteries ashore hammered heavily at Manila Bay fortifications. Gen. Wainwright, who succeeded Gen. MacArthur as commander of the dauntless American and Filipino defenders, reported to the War Department that Gen. Yamashita's renewed assault on the peninsula appeared certain.

U.S. Gunboat Lost in Action

Asheville, Attacked by Enemy South of Java, Carried About 185 Men

WASHINGTON, March 21. (U.P.)—The United States gunboat Asheville, attacked by the enemy south of Java, is missing and presumed lost, the Navy announced tonight.

Ships of this type normally carry a complement of about 185 officers and men.

The Asheville, a 1270-ton vessel launched in 1918, was operated with the special service squadron of the Asiatic Fleet.

NAVY COMMUNIQUE

Text of Navy communiqué No. 59, based upon information received up to 5 p.m., P.W.T.:

"Far East—Early this month the United States gunboat Asheville was attacked by the enemy south of Java.

"The Asheville has been reported missing for some days and must be presumed to be lost. "The next of kin of the personnel of the Asheville have been notified."

Sinking of the Asheville brings to 18 the number of naval vessels officially reported as lost. The losses include one battleship, one cruiser, seven destroyers, three submarines, a Coast Guard cutter and four miscellaneous.

It does not include the battleship Oklahoma, capsized at Pearl Harbor.

MINE SWEEPER LOST

In addition, the Navy said unofficially some time ago that a mine sweeper had been lost in the evacuation of Cavite naval base, Philippine Islands. Thirteen of the 18 losses were by enemy action.

The Japanese have claimed capture or destruction of several gunboats formerly used on the Yangtze River as part of the Asiatic Fleet, but these losses never have been confirmed.

The Asheville apparently was lost in the Battle of Java which cost the United States the cruiser Houston and the destroyer

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Guns Shatter Lull at Bataan

WASHINGTON, March 21. (AP)—The long-smoldering Philippine fighting burst into flame today and the American-Filipino defenders braced for a new full-scale Japanese offensive.

While patrols skirmished sharply on the Bataan Peninsula, enemy batteries hammered at the Manila Bay fortifications, the War Department reported. Japanese warships, including cruisers and destroyers, scouted around the islands, seeking to

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Plots to Kill MacArthur Disclosed by Gen. Casey

LONDON, March 21. (AP)—Brig. Gen. Hugh J. Casey, who accompanied Gen. Douglas MacArthur from Bataan to Australia, said today that MacArthur had had a number of escapes "from deliberate plots to kill him" by captured Japanese and from attempts by guerrillas and snipers to capture him.

The Japanese believe it a disgrace to be taken prisoner and as a result fight to the last, but Americans have a few prisoners, he added.

Gen. Casey also told of the amazing escape from the Philippines. The group roared away from Bataan in four speedboats under the noses of Japanese land forces and made rendezvous with two Flying Fortress-type bombers on an unnamed island two days later.

The Japanese obviously had expected MacArthur to leave in a submarine.

Casey said throughout the next day the boats pressed on and just before night they saw the silhouette of a Japanese destroyer on the horizon. The speedboats, however, were not observed and the destroyer vanished in the blackness of the night. The next morning the party reached the island and climbed wearily aboard the huge bombers for the second leg of their trip to Darwin.

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